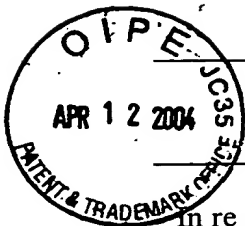


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**IN THE UNITED STATES PATENT AND TRADEMARK OFFICE**

In re application of: Strawn

Attorney Docket No.: CISC186

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Box Non-Fee Amendment  
Commissioner for Patents  
P.O. Box 1450  
Alexandria VA 22313-1450

Dear Sir:

In response to the Office Action mailed January 9, 2004 ("Office Action"), please enter the following amendment in the above-identified application.

**Amendments to the Claims** are reflected in the listing of claims that begins on page 2 of this paper.

**Remarks** begin on page 11 of this paper.



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Sir:

Transmitted herewith is an Amendment in the above-identified application.

The fee has been calculated as shown below.

	Claims After Amendment		Highest Previously Paid For	Present Extra	Small Entity Rate Fee	Large Entity Rate Fee
Total Claims	44	MINUS	44	0	x 9 =	x 18 = 0
Independent Claims	10	MINUS	10	0	x 43 =	x 86 = 0
Multiple Dependent Claim Present and Fee Not Previously Paid					\$145.00	\$290.00
Total					\$	\$0

- ☒ Applicant(s) believe that no (additional) Extension of Time is required; however, if it is determined that such an extension is required, Applicant(s) hereby petition that such an extension be granted and authorize the Commissioner to charge the required fees for an Extension of Time under 37 CFR 1.136 to Deposit Account No. 500388.
- ☒ Please charge the required fees, or any additional fees required to facilitate filing the enclosed response, to Deposit Account No. 500388 (Order No. CISC186).

Respectfully submitted,  
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